

BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

TRANSVERSE MYELITIS AWARENESS DAY

2012

BY THE GOVERNOR OF THE STATE OF NORTH CAROLINA

A PROCLAMATION

WHEREAS, Transverse Myelitis is a rare neurological disorder caused by inflammation of the spinal cord; and

WHEREAS, symptoms include back pain, numbness of the lower extremities and headache; and

WHEREAS, as the condition progresses, Transverse Myelitis may cause paralysis, sensory loss, and bowel and bladder dysfunction; and

WHEREAS, Transverse Myelitis affects one out of every million persons; and

WHEREAS, there are approximately 1,250 Americans with Transverse Myelitis; and

WHEREAS, only one-third of persons diagnosed with Transverse Myelitis make a full recovery; and

WHEREAS, increased awareness of Transverse Myelitis is critical to diagnosis, treatment and scientific research of the disease; and

WHEREAS, the State of North Carolina joins the Transverse Myelitis Association and other interested agencies and organizations in promoting awareness of this rare condition;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE, Governor of the State of North Carolina, do hereby proclaim June 6, 2012, as "**TRANSVERSE MYELITIS AWARENESS DAY**" in North Carolina, and commend its observance to all citizens.



BEVERLY EAVES PERDUE

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the Great Seal of the State of North Carolina at the Capitol in Raleigh this sixteenth day of April in the year of our Lord two thousand and twelve and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and thirty-sixth.